



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Mail Stop: RCE**
Norihito SHIMONO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2002_0055A
Serial No. 10/048,063 : Group Art Unit 1618
Filed January 28, 2002 : Examiner Micah-Paul Young
SOLID PREPARATION CONTAINING : **Confirmation No. 8747**
CHITOSAN POWDER AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCING THE SAME :

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO 23-0975

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 12, 2007, the time for response being extended by one month in accordance with a petition for extension and an RCE submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows: